

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Plaintiff,) 8:05CR378
vs.)
MARCO A. COVARRUBIAS,)
Defendant.) ORDER

This matter is before the court on the motion for an extension of time by defendant Marcos A. Covarrubias (Covarrubias) (Filing No. 18). Covarrubias seeks an additional three weeks in which to file pretrial motions in accordance with the progression order (Filing No. 7). Covarrubias has filed an affidavit wherein he consents to the motion and acknowledges he understands the additional time may be excludable time for the purposes of the Speedy Trial Act (Filing No. 20). Upon consideration, the motion will be granted.

IT IS ORDERED:

Defendant Covarrubias' motion for an extension of time (Filing No. 18) is granted. Defendant Covarrubias is given until **on or before December 15, 2005**, in which to file pretrial motions pursuant to the progression order. The ends of justice have been served by granting such motion and outweigh the interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. The additional **time** arising as a result of the granting of the motion, i.e., the time between **November 18, 2005 and December 15, 2005**, shall be deemed **excludable** time in any computation of time under the requirement of the Speedy Trial Act for the reason defendant's counsel requires additional time to adequately prepare the case, taking into consideration due diligence of counsel, and the novelty and complexity of this case. The failure to grant additional time might result in a miscarriage of justice. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A) & (B).

DATED this 18th day of November, 2005.

BY THE COURT:

s/Thomas D. Thalken
United States Magistrate Judge